



# Education Act 2002

## 2002 CHAPTER 32

### PART 7

#### THE CURRICULUM IN WALES

##### *General duties in respect of the curriculum*

#### **101 Basic curriculum for every maintained school in Wales**

- (1) The curriculum for every maintained school in Wales shall comprise a basic curriculum which includes—
- (a) provision for religious education for all registered pupils at the school (in accordance with such of the provisions of Schedule 19 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (c. 31) as apply in relation to the school),
  - (b) a curriculum for all registered pupils at the school who have attained the age of three but are not over compulsory school age (known as “the National Curriculum for Wales”),
  - (c) in the case of a secondary school, provision for sex education for all registered pupils at the school, and
  - (d) in the case of a special school, provision for sex education for all registered pupils at the school who are provided with secondary education.
- (2) Subsection (1)(a) does not apply—
- (a) in relation to a nursery class in a primary school, or
  - (b) in the case of a maintained special school (provision as to religious education in special schools being made by regulations under section 71(7) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 (c. 31)).
- (3) The National Assembly for Wales may by order—
- (a) amend subsection (1) so as to add further requirements (otherwise than in relation to religious education or sex education),
  - (b) amend subsection (1)(b)—

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- (i) by substituting for the reference to the age of three (or to any age specified there by virtue of this sub-paragraph) a reference to such other age as may be specified in the order, or
  - (ii) by substituting for the reference to compulsory school age (or to any age specified there by virtue of this sub-paragraph) a reference to such other age as may be specified in the order, and
- (c) amend any provision included in subsection (1) by virtue of paragraph (a) of this subsection.